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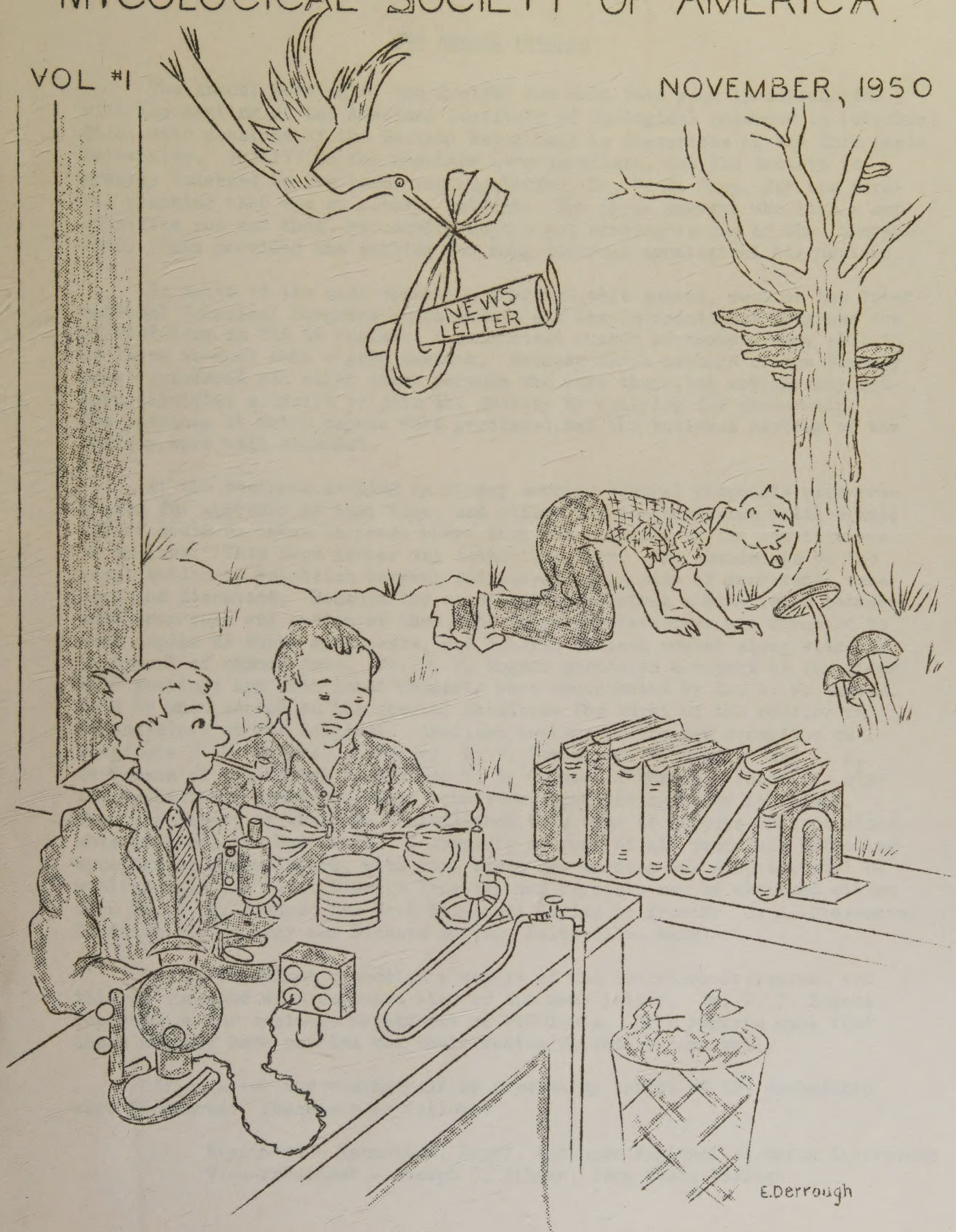

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Secretary-Treasurer - Leland Shanor, University of Illinois
Councilors - East - Alexander H. Smith, University of Michigan
West - Roderick Sprague, Washington State College

The other Councilors, with an additional year to serve, are Dr. F. K. Sparrow, University of Michigan and Dr. George W. Fischer, Washington State College.

One of the outstanding events of the Mycological Society Program was the address by Dr. B. O. Dodge on "The Fungi Come into Their Own". This lecture was well attended, and Dr. Dodge left no doubt as to the broad aspects of mycology as he called attention to some of the significant developments in the field. This was the first in what we have every reason to believe will be an outstanding series of lectures at our annual meetings. Dr. Dodge certainly initiated the series in a distinguished manner. We hope that selection to give the annual lecture of the Society will be regarded as one of the highest honors the Society can bestow upon a mycologist or microbiologist for we feel that it is such a mark of distinction. In the recommendation to the Council which it approved in time to start the series this year, it was specifically provided that the person selected must be one who has made significant contributions in mycology or microbiology, and that he need not necessarily be a member of the Society.

The Society will meet with A.I.B.S. in September again next year. Plan to attend. We meet on the campus of the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis-St.Paul. The committee in charge of local arrangements consists of C. M. Christensen, Chairman, Louise Dosdall, and J. J. Christensen.

Secretary-Treasurer's Report - 1950

Once a year at the annual meeting of the Society, the Secretary-Treasurer is asked to give an account of his stewardship. As you are well aware, this occasion is my last opportunity to make such a report, and although I have left undone many things which I ought to have done and I have done many things which I ought not to have done, I am sure the Society is in better shape today than it has been in the past. I say thin, not in criticism of my predecessors for I have nothing but admiration for the way they carried on, but because we have been having growing pains that reached a crisis during my term of office. Last year the criticisms of the Society by dissatisfied members brought about an airing of grievances and the setting up of the policy committee under the chairmanship of Dr. Shanor which has led to our reaffirming our broad interest in mycology and in implementing its meaning. The establishment of the Annual Lecture, the initiation of a news letter, and a change in policy toward authorship of the papers submitted to MYCOLOGIA are all steps leading to greater unification of our efforts and enhancement of our influence.

The past year has been a good one. The Foray, under the leadership of Dr. Raper with the help of Dr. Solheim, was particularly successful in spite of the division of interest caused by the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm. Our membership has increased by 51 new members to be elected at this meeting and our losses have not been greater than usual.

Financially we are in better shape than at this time last year by about $400.00 ($837.74 to $438.34). One hundred of this sum is the gift

of one of our members, Mr. William B. Gruber of Portland, Oregon, to forward the Annual Lecture. The rest of it was the reduction of our dues to the A.I.B.S. from $471.00 to $228.00. This reduction was partially accounted for by the action of other botanical societies with common membership with us becoming members of the A.I.B.S. Our dues to the A.I.B.S. will be greater another year. MYCOLOGIA also finished the year in the black, thanks to Dr. Rogers and the New York Botanical Garden. Considering the increased costs of printing, this fact was a major triumph for their custodianship and the society owes them their deepest gratitude.

In closing, I wish to thank the membership and my fellow officers for their generous cooperation during my term and bespeak for my successor their continued support.--------Joseph C. Gilman

The Foray

The Annual Foray of the Mycological Society was held at the Science Camp of the University of Wyoming, August 7 to 11. This Camp is located in the Medicine Bow Mountains about forty miles west of Laramie at an elevation of approximately 9500 ft. The Foray was well attended. Several mycologists brought their families and made a combined collecting and vacation trip out of the meeting. Professor Alexander Smith of the University of Michigan, was spending the summer at the Science Camp, and together with Professor W. G. Solheim of the University of Wyoming, had already made a survey of various areas and knew just where to take the visiting mycologists to obtain good collections.

The mycologists will long remember the Foray as an eventful week and not least among the pleasant memories will be the picnic and fish fry which was arranged by the Solheims and Smiths. Largely because of the thoughtful and thorough arrangements made by Professor Solheim, this Foray will go down in the annals of the Mycological Society as one of the best.-------- K. B. Raper

Mycologia

With the last number of this year's volume of MYCOLOGIA, Dr. Alexander H. Smith will complete his term as Editor-in-Chief of our Society's journal. Dr. Smith has done a fine job as Editor. We are all proud of the fact that our journal occupies a prominent position among the leading mycological journals of the world. Dr. G. W. Martin takes over the job as Editor-in-Chief, beginning with the first number of the 1951 volume. He returned from the Stockholm meetings to find an accumulation of manuscripts awaiting him so has been busy on these for the past few months. Miss Edith K. Cash was reappointed to the Editorial Board for another term at the Council meeting in Columbus.

The Council has approved several changes in the requirements for publication of papers in MYCOLOGIA and there have been a number of suggestions that the new Editor-in-Chief and the Editorial Board will be considering. Papers by more than one author will be considered for publication if the one submitting the paper is a member of the Society. Previously all authors were required to be members. Authors who submit only one paper in two or three years may now

have longer papers published without charge for excess pagination at the discretion of the Editorial Board. The previous limit was twenty-five pages. These changes, and any others that may be approved, will be incorporated in the directions for manuscripts printed on the inside of the back cover of the first number of the 1951 volume.

Several members have suggested that they would like to see more papers representing experimental studies published in MYCOLOGIA. The Editor-in-Chief and members of the Editorial Board would welcome the opportunity to consider more manuscripts representing this type of work, so if you have such a manuscript let them have a chance to examine it. A few have thought that the relatively small number of such papers in MYCOLOGIA was because they were discriminated against. This has not been bourne out by investigation. Lack of such papers in comparable number to morphological and taxonomic papers has been due to the failure of members doing such work, to send manuscripts to the Editor-in-Chief or other members of the Board. Manuscripts of high quality, representing work in any area of Mycology, will be welcome always.

Committees of the Society

The following have been asked to serve for 1951:

Committee on Nomenclature

D. P. Rogers, Chm.
G. W. Fischer
F. D. Kern
A. H. Smith
J. N. Couch
L. E. Wehmeyer
C. W. Dodge
G. B. Cummins
W. L. White

Committee on Medical Mycology

C. W. Emmons, Chm.
R. W. Benham
A. L. Carrion
N. F. Conant
Arden Howell, Jr.
J. G. Hopkins
E. D. DeLamater

Membership Committee

C. J. Alexopoulos, Chm.
M. A. Petty
H. R. Rosen
Morris Moore
C. E. Yarwood
M. P. Backus
F. T. Wolf
M. B. Morrow
E. B. Mains
S. M. Pady
René Pomerleau
Roderick Sprague
G. F. Weber
W. H. Weston
St. John P. Chilton

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Committee on Sustaining Memberships

W. D. Gray, Chm.
G. D. Darker
E. T. Reese
E. J. Backus
James W. Sinden
John Routien
A. H. Smith
L. B. Lockwood
Alma Whiffen

Annual Lecture Committee - 1951

J. N. Couch, Chm.
M. P. Backus
Ralph Emerson

Committee to Aid A.I.B.S. on Biological Handbook

Victor M. Cutter
W. J. Nickerson
G. D. Darker

Representative to A.A.A.S. Council - G. D. Darker, 1951-52

Representative to National Research Council - C. W. Emmons, 1949-51

Representative to Am. Inst. Biol. Sciences - F. D. Kern,

Committee on Arrangements for 1951 Meeting.

C. M. Christensen, Chm.
Louise Dosdall
J. J. Christensen

About Members

Dr. Libero Ajello, U.S. Public Health Service, Communicable Disease Center, Atlanta, was hospitalized for about a month last spring as a result of an automobile accident. He contributed to the program of the Conference of Public Health Veterinarians held in Atlanta in August.

Dr. C. J. Alexopoulos and Dr. E. S. Beneke, Michigan State College, have been awarded a grant from the Michigan Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Letters, to support their study of the Myxomycetes of Michigan.

Dr. Ralph W. Ames, formerly at U. of Illinois, is now Assistant Research Professor of Botany at the Waltham Field Station of the University of Massachusetts where his work is on diseases of ornamentals.

Dr. S. H. Babcock, Jr., Lederle Laboratories, attended the International Congress on Microbiology in Rio de Janeiro this summer and lectured on "Aureomycin" in Rio, in Montevideo, Burnos Aires, Santiago, Lima, Bogata, and Caracas while in South America.

Dr. Dow V. Baxter, School of Forestry and Conservation, University of Michigan, attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm where he served as president of one of the Sections, and delivered a paper on "The Effect of Cultural Practices on Disease in American Forest Plantations". He also attended the Alaskan Science Conference, National Academy of Science-National Research Council, Washington, and spoke on "Preparing for the Future in Forest Practice in Alaska". Dr. Erik Rennerfelt and Professor Eric Bjorkman of Sweden, and Dr. Finn Hansen of Norway were recent visitors in Dr. Baxter's department.

Dr. Ralph E. Bennett of Commercial Solvents, and family, attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm.

Dr. Ernst A. Bessey has decided to take a well earned vacation, now that his new book is off the press, and has started on a six months leisurely trip through the South, visiting various institutions. He expects to spend some time in Norman, Oklahoma, and later in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, visiting his children and their families, especially the new grandchildren.

Dr. A. A. Bitancourt of Sao Paulo, Brazil, attended the International Congress for Microbiology at Rio de Janeiro and contributed to the program. He also attended the Primera Asamblea Latinoamericana de Fitoparasitologia in Mexico City where he was the presiding officer for the fifth session of this meeting.

Dr. W. H. Bragonier has been appointed to head the Department of Botany at Iowa State College.

Dr. A. L. Carrion, Puerto Rico, attended the International Congress for Microbiology in Rio de Janiero where he served as one of the Vice-Presidents, Section on Medical and Veterinary Mycology, and as a member of the Committee on Nomenclature of this section. He also lectured on "Pathogenic Black Yeasts" at the Instituto de Hygiene at Montevideo, Uruguay on September 6, 1950.

Dr. S. J. P. Chilton has been named Chairman of the Department of Botany, Bacteriology, and Plant Pathology at L.S.U., succeeding Dr. C. W. Edgerton, who has retired.

Dr. Antonio Ciccarone, Stazione di Pathologia Vegetale, Rome, attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm. He is serving, also, as Lecutrer in Plant Pathology at the Rome University.

Dr. W. C. Coker has been making a remarkable recovery from an illness which hospitalized him early in the summer, and is again up and around in his home.

Dr. Norman F. Conant of Duke University delivered a lecture on "Fungi Pathogenic to Man" at Vanderbilt University last February. This lecture was sponsored by the University Lecture Committee and the Biology Department.

Dr. Mel. T. Cook, who for several years now has been located at L.S.U., when not on some expedition, attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm.

Dr. Wm. Bridge Cooke has been appointed Research Associate in the Department of Plant Pathology at the Washington State College where he will devote his time to developing a "Fungus Flora of Washington". He and his wife have been doing extensive collecting in the state this fall.

Mr. Richard T. Darby, Philadelphia, is the proud father of a new daughter, Christine, born June 8.

Dr. Ellis F. Darley, formerly of the Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations, U.S.D.A., this past year was appointed Assistant Plant Pathologist, University of California Citrus Experiment Station. He had a paper on the program of the Primera Asamblea Latinoamericana de Fitoparasitologia in Mexico City.

Mr. Ross W. Davidson, Division of Forest Pathology, U.S.D.A., Beltsville, has been appointed as the Society's representative on the Board of Trustees of the American Type Culture Collection.

Dr. W. W. Diehl, Division of Mycology and Disease Survey, U.S.D.A., attended the International Botanical Congress at Stockholm and visited mycological herbaria in Denmark, Holland, Switzerland, France, and England.

Dr. B. O. Dodge, New York Botanical Garden, delivered a public lecture at the University of Illinois last spring on "Genetics of Red Bread Molds". This lecture was sponsored jointly by the University Lectures Committee and the Division of Biological Sciences.

Dr. C. W. Edgerton retired from the headship of the Department of Botany, Bacteriology, and Plant Pathology at L.S.U. on June 4, 1950, after 42 years of service in the Department.

Dr. Ralph Emerson attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm and presented an invitation lecture at the University of London in June.

Dr. C. W. Emmons attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm and the International Microbiological Congress in Rio de Janeiro. At Stockholm, he served as a Vice-President of the Section on Bacteriology and Mycology and as a member of the Special Committee on Fungi. At Rio de Janeiro, he served as president of the Section on Medical and Veterinary Mycology. He was chairman of the Microbiological Section, Botanical Society of America this past year.

Miss Dorothy I. Fennell, Northern Regional Research Laboratory, Peoria, last spring, was awarded the Distinguished Service Award of the U.S.D.A. for her illustrations and technical assistance in the preparation of "A Manual of the Penicillia".

Dr. Cesar A. Fuentes of the University of Havana attended a conference at the U.S. Public Health Center in Atlanta in August.

Dr. Carlos Garces O., Medellin, Colombia, attended the Primera Asamblea Latinoamericana de Fitoparasitologia in Mexico City where he presented a paper, and was the presiding officer at the 3rd Session, on September 26.

Dr. Max W. Gardner, University of California, has been awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree by Michigan State College. Dr. Gardner's daughter, Phyllis, married Calvin McMillan, September 1, 1950.

Dr. L. K. Georg, formerly at College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University, is now with the U.S. Public Health Service, Communicable Disease Center at Atlanta.

Mr. Austin C. Goheen, formerly of the Department of Plant Pathology, Washington State College, is now an agent of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and stationed at the New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station, New Brunswick, New Jersey, where he is investigating diseases of cranberries and blueberries.

Dr. M. A. Gordon, formerly at Duke, is now with the U.S. Public Health Service, Communicable Disease Center, Atlanta.

Dr. David Gottlieb, University of Illinois, attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm and presented a paper on the program. He went to Europe as an invitation speaker of the Second International Antibiotics Congress of Italy where he spoke on "Chloromycetin, its Discovery and Properties". He also spoke before the faculty of the University of Leyden, on the same subject.

Dr. J. W. Groves, Central Experiment Station, Ottawa, attended the International Botanical Congress at Stockholm and visited several herbaria and research institutions in Great Britain and on the continent this past summer. Dr. G. Watts Padwick, formerly Imperial Mycologist in India, now scientific advisor on pesticides with Imperial Chemical Industries, was a visitor at the Station recently.

Dr. J. G. Harrar, whose organization served as host to the Primera Asamblea Latinoamericana de Fitoparasitologia held in Mexico the latter part of September and the first of October, was the presiding officer at the 10th session of the meeting.

Dr. G.C.M. Harris, formerly with Imperial Chemical Industries in England, is now with Commercial Solvents at Terre Haute.

Dr. J. G. Hopkins, Columbia University, now Professor Emeritus of Dermatology, was a visitor at the U.S. Public Health Service, Communicable Disease Center, Atlanta, earlier in the year.

Dr. Frank L. Howard, accompanied by his wife and daughter, attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm. Dr. S. H. Crowdy, Long Ashton Research Station, University of Bristol in England, has been appointed Visiting Assistant Research Professor in Dr. Howard's department. Dr. Erik Rennerfelt of the Forest Botany Institute at Stockholm has recently visited Rhode Island State College while in this country for a three months tour.

Dr. W. G. Hutchinson has been appointed Dean, School of Auxiliary Medical Services, University of Pennsylvania, and continues as Chairman, Graduate Group in Microbiology. He lectured before the New York City Branch, Society of American Bacteriologists on "Morphological Changes in Living Cells of Proteus vulgaris". Dr. Andre Lwoff of the Pasteur Institute was a recent visitor at the University of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Wm. Irwin Illman is Senior Lecturer in Botany at Carleton College, Ottawa. He is continuing his work on the taxonomy of fungi isolated from freshly cut wood.

Dr. E. P. Imle, Turrialba, Costa Rica, attended the Primera Asamblea Latinoamericana de Fitoparasitología in Mexico City and presented a paper on the program.

Dr. Anna E. Jenkins, Division of Mycology and Disease Survey, U.S.D.A., as joint author with Dr. A. A. Bitancourt of Sao Paulo, Brazil, had two papers on the program of the International Congress for Microbiology held in Rio de Janeiro this summer.

Dr. Leo Kaplan, formerly at Harvard, has joined the faculty of Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, where he offers courses in mycology and plant pathology.

Dr. J. S. Karling of Purdue has been designated representative of the Botanical Society of America to the National Research Council.

Dr. E. Silver Keeping, University of Alberta, introduced the subject of "Mycoses" at the International North West Conference on Diseases of Nature Communicable to Man which was held in Seattle in August. Dr. R. D. Stewart, formerly of Glasgow, Scotland, has recently been appointed head of the Department of Bacteriology and Director of the Provincial Laboratory of Public Health of the University.

Dr. Frank D. Kern, formerly Dean of the Graduate School and Head of the Department of Botany at Pennsylvania State College, retired with the rank of Emeritus on July 1, 1950. Dr. Kern was a recent visitor on the campus of Purdue University.

Mr. Eugene D. Kitzke has been promoted to Assistant Professor at Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and is the proud father of a new daughter. He presented a paper on Acrasieae at the meeting of the Michigan Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Letters.

Dr. Leon R. Kneebone has been appointed Assistant Professor of Botany at Pennsylvania State College.

Dr. R. P. Korf, formerly at Cornell University, is at the University of Glasgow, Scotland, this year. Dr. S. A. Hutchinson has a years leave of absence from the University of Glasgow and, as Lecturer in Mycology, is giving the course in mycology at Cornell this year. Dr. E. Gram of Denmark, visited Cornell early in October and gave a seminar talk in the Department of Plant Pathology.

Dr. E. B. Lambert, who is in charge of the mushroom project of the U.S.D.A. at Beltsville, Maryland, attended the International Conference on Scientific Mushroom Culture in Peterborough, England, last May. He also visited France and Switzerland for the purpose of studying the different phases of the mushroom industry in these countries.

Dr. G. A. Ledingham, Director of the National Research Council Prairie Regional Laboratory, Saskatoon, Sask., Canada, attended the International Congress for Microbiology in Rio de Janeiro. Sir John Orr, Rothamsted, was a recent visitor at the Laboratory.

Dr. L. B. Lockwood, formerly with the Northern Regional Research Laboratory, Peoria, resigned August 1, to become Director of Microbiological Research, Takamine Laboratories, Clifton, New Jersey.

Dr. Marcel Locquin, Laboratoire de Cryptogamie du Museum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, is Secretaire General de la Societe Francaise de Microscopie Theorique et Applique and was Rapporteur General of the 1st Congres International de Microscopie Electronique held in Paris in September, 1950.

Dr. W. E. Maneval, Professor Emeritus of Botany of the University of Missouri was hospitalized during August, as the result of an operation, and is now recovering.

Dr. G. W. Martin attended the International Botanical Congress at Stockholm and served on the Special Committee on Fungi of the Section on Nomenclature. He is busy on his new assignment as Editor-in-Chief of our Journal, MYCOLOGIA.

Dr. L. M. Massey has relinquished the headship of the Department of Plant Pathology at Cornell University to devote full time to teaching and research. He has been succeeded by Dr. G. C. Kent.

Dr. Samuel L. Meyer, University of Tennessee, was elected chairman of the General Section, Botanical Society of America at the recent meetings in Columbus.

Dr. John T. Middleton of the University of California Citrus Experiment Station attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm.

Dr. James L. Mielke, Pathologist in the Division of Forest Pathology, U.S.D.A., who was formerly stationed at Albuquerque, New Mexico, is now located at Logan, Utah.

Dr. A. S. Muller, Zamorono, Honduras, attended the Primera Asamblea Latinoamericana de Fitoparasitologia in Mexico City and had a paper on the program.

Dr. Walter J. Nickerson, recently of Brown University, joined the Department of Microbiology at Rutgers as Associate Professor this past July. He attended the International Microbiological Congress in Rio de Janeiro and presented an invitation lecture before the Congress. He also served as a Vice-President of the Section on Mycology and was elected chairman of the Special Committee on Medical and Veterinary Mycology.

Dr. John S. Niederhauser attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm and the Primera Asamblea Latinoamericana de Fitoparasitologia in Mexico City.

Dr. Mildred K. Nobles, Central Experiment Station, Ottawa, attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm this summer and visited several herbaria and research institutions in England and on the continent.

Dr. Lindsay S. Olive of Columbia is reported to have spent a very pleasant and profitable summer at the Highlands Biological Laboratory in North Carolina. He recently lectured, before the Torrey Botanical Club, on "Genetics of Glomerella -- A Review of Recent Investigations".

Dr. C. R. Orton is spending six months in Liberia on a mission for the State Department.

Dr. Franz Petrak of the Natural History Museum, Vienna, Austria, is spending a year in the Division of Mycology and Plant Disease Survey, Beltsville, Maryland, under a grant from the American Philosophical Society of Philadelphia, working on a revised generic synopsis of the Ascomycetes and Fungi Imperfecti. He is continuing to edit the international mycological journal, SYDOWIA.

Dr. Adrian W. Poitras, formerly at the University of Illinois, has been appointed Assistant Professor of Botany at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh.

Dr. C. L. Porter of Purdue was elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Society for Industrial Microbiology at the recent meeting in Columbus.

Dr. F. V. Ranzoni, formerly at the University of California, has taken a position at Eastern Washington College of Education, Cheney, Washington.

Dr. Kenneth B. Raper, Northern Regional Research Laboratory, Peoria, was the guest lecturer at a recent meeting of the University of Illinois Chapter of Sigma Xi where he spoke on "Variation in Molds, Natural and Induced".

Dr. John W. Roberts, formerly with the Bureau of Plant Industry at Beltsville, is enjoying his retirement at Winter Park, Florida.

Dr. D. P. Rogers, New York Botanical Garden, attended the International Botanical Congress at Stockholm, where he served as Secretary of the Special Committee for Fungi of the Section on Nomenclature. We note that Dr. Rogers made both the New York Times and Time Magazine during this past year!

Dr. Clark T. Rogerson, formerly at Cornell University, has joined the faculty of Kansas State College, Manhattan.

Dr. S. B. Salvin is now located at the Rocky Mountain Laboratory, U.S. Public Health Service, Hamilton, Montana.

Dr. D.B.O. Savile, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, spent the summer in botanical work at Chesterfield Inlet on the northwest coast of Hudson Bay.

Mr. Wm. W. Scott, formerly at Vermont, is now at the University of Michigan.

Dr. Fred J. Seaver, for a number of years Editor-in-Chief of MYCOLOGIA and Curator of the New York Botanical Gardens, is living in Winter Park, Florida, where he has been finishing his work on a new book on Inoperculate Discomycetes. No doubt you have received notice of its forthcoming publication.

Dr. C. L. Shear is recovering from a serious illness which hospitalized him this summer. He is now living with his daughter at 1707 N. Sixth Street, Monroe, Louisiana.

Dr. Emory G. Simmons, formerly at the University of Michigan, has joined the staff of the Department of Botany at Dartmouth College.

Dr. Alexander H. Smith has been promoted to full professor in the University of Michigan. This summer, Dr. Smith was at the University of Wyoming Science Camp, engaged in field work on fleshy fungi, in Medicine Bow National Forest. We are sure he enjoyed the fishing when time could be spared for this activity!

Dr. E. C. Stakman attended the Primera Asamblea Latinoamericana de Fitoparasitologia in Mexico City, had a paper on the program, and was the presiding officer at the 9th session of this meeting.

Dr. Russell B. Stevens, University of Tennessee, attended the International Botanical Congress at Stockholm. He is to present an invitation paper on the teaching of plant pathology at the meetings of the American Phytopathological Society in Memphis this December.

Mr. J. A. Stevenson, Division of Mycology and Disease Survey, U.S.D.A., accompanied by Mrs. Stevenson, attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm. Mr. Stevenson served on the Special Committee on Fungi. He reports that the fungus herbarium of Dr. Carlos E. Chardon has been deposited with the Mycological Collections of the Bureau of Plant Industry at Beltsville, Maryland.

Dr. David R. Sumstine has been appointed Honorary Curator of Fungi in the Carnegie Museum, Pittsburgh.

Dr. Alfred S. Sussman, formerly of Harvard, and more recently National Research Council Fellow at the University of Pennsylvania, has been appointed Instructor of Botany in the University of Michigan, to develop work on the physiology of the fungi.

Dr. L. R. Tehon reports that the Section of Applied Botany and Plant Pathology, Illinois State Natural History Survey, Urbana, has moved into its expanded and new quarters in the Natural Resources Building. Miss Sylvia Wolcyrz, formerly of the University of Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh City Health Department, and Mr. Elroy A. Curl, formerly at the University of Arkansas, have been added to Dr. Tehon's staff as Special Research Assistants. Dr. Tehon also has a new granddaughter, his third.

Dr. Charles Thom was elected president of the Society for Industrial Microbiology at its recent meetings in Columbus. He also attended the International Congress for Microbiology at Rio de Janeiro in August, and the National Academy of Science meeting in Schenectedy in October. He lectured at the Graduate School of the U.S.D.A. on October 2, on the subject "The Microorganism Side of Antibiosis".

Dr. Lois Tiffany will continue her work at Iowa State College on a special grant.

Dr. C. M. Tucker, of the University of Missouri, is president of the American Phytopathological Society this year. Dr. Tucker has a new granddaughter, Diana Lee Dowdy, daughter of Lt. and Mrs. James C. Dowdy. Recently Dr. W. H. Chandler, Professor Emeritus of Botany, University of California, addressed the Botany seminar at Missouri, speaking on "Zinc Deficiency in Plants".

Dr. Carl B. Umanzio is head of the Department of Bacteriology and Parasitology at Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery at Kirksville, Missouri. He received his Ph.D. degree from Washington University in St. Louis last June.

Dr. Selman A. Waksman attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm where he spoke. He also delivered four addresses in Spain, two in Italy, and four in France. Dr. Waksman spoke before the 75th Anniversary meeting of the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, September 28 and 29, and before the American Chemical Society, on October 6. On October 17, he addressed the Detroit Institute for Cancer Research. Dr. Waksman has been the recipient of numerous awards for his work on antibiotics.

Mrs. Alice J. Watson, at present mycologist of the Division of Foreign Plant Quarantine, Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine, attended the International Botanical Congress at Stockholm. While in Europe, she visited the Centraalbureau voor Schimmelcultures at Baarn and the government agricultural and horticultural schools at Wageningen, The Netherlands, and also the Commonwealth Mycological Institute and Kew Gardens, Kew, England, Upsala University, Upsala, Sweden, and the Histoire Naturelle in Paris.

Dr. Lewis E. Wehmeyer, University of Michigan, attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm.

Dr. Freeman G. Weiss has retired from the Division of Mycology and Disease Survey and is Curator of the American Type Culture Collection, Washington, D.C.

Dr. F. L. Wellman, Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations, attended the Primera Asamblea Latinoamericana de Fitoparasitologia in Mexico City and had two papers on the program.

Mr. Willis H. Wheeler, plant pathologist of the Division of Foreign Plant Quarantine, Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine, visited Puerto Rico during October to assist with mycological, botanical, and phytopathological problems encountered in the routine work of the Division, and gave a lecture at the Mayaguez Station on "Recognition of Plant Disease Symptoms by Field Workers".

Dr. W. L. White, Harvard, was elected Chairman, Microbiological Section, Botanical Society of America, at its recent meeting in Columbus. Dr. White has served as secretary of the Section for the past two years. He attended the International Botanical Congress in Stockholm.

Dr. A. W. Ziegler, Florida State University at Tallahassee, was hospitalized for about ten days, recently, by an operation, but has about recovered.

Dr. Robert K. Zuck, Drew University, is the proud father of a new son. Among the visitors at Drew University recently have been Dr. Lindsay S. Olive and Dr. D. P. Rogers.

New Members - 1950

Name	Location	Name	Location
Anderson, M.G.	Chicago	Lane, F.C.	Urbana
Barnes, G.L.	Lansing	Lichtwardt, R.W.	Urbana
Baxter, J.W.	Lafayette	Locquin, M.	Paris, France
Bedi, K.S.	St. Paul	Long, W.G.	Columbia, Mo.
Beck, D.A.	Philadelphia	Loring, L.B.	Honolulu
Bragonier, W.H.	Ames	Mc Kenny, M.	Olympia, Wash.
Brancato, F.P.	Pullman	Mc Knight, K.H.	Provo, Utah
Bubieniec, E.J.	Madison	Mac Laren, J.A.	Nashville
Bulat, T.J.	Iowa City	McVeigh, I.	Nashville
Burst, R.R.	Jackson, Miss.	Maher, J.T.	Takoma Park
Crall, J.M.	Ames	Meloro, F.A.	Philadelphia
Deegan, H.B.	Tonewand, N.Y.	Moessner, E.J.	Philadelphia
El Ani, A.S.	Berkeley	Petrak, F.	Austria
Espenshade, M.A.	Middleton, Pa.	Pregenzer, C.R.	Ames
Farrow, W.M.	Wilton Jct., Ia.	Raymond, F.L.	Cambridge
Fuentes, C.A.	Havana, Cuba	Schmitt, J.A.	Ann Arbor
Fulton, Isabel W.	Norton, Mass.	Schuttleworth, F.	Coral Gables
Gopalkrishman, K.S.	Notre Dame	Smith, H.E.	Madison, Wisc.
Gottlieb, David	Urbana	Taber, W.A.	Iowa City
Goyette, L.E.	Lawrence, Kan.	Thomas, A.G.	Pullman
Gilbertson, R.L.	Seattle, Wash.	Vidal, R.J.	Havana, Cuba
Grant, V.O.	Chamlbee, Ga.	Vlitos, A.J.	Ames
Harris, G.C.M.	Terre Haute	Weinmann, P.L.	Buffalo
Hughes, S.B.	Columbus	Wilson, Edward E.	Davis, Calif.
Hurst, J.W.	Bozeman	Wilson, K.S.	Laramie
Kaplan, Lawrence	Iowa City	Wilson, V.E.	Ames
Kneebone, L.R.	State College, Pa.	Yaw, Katherine E.	Newark, Delaware
Kuehner, C.C.	Columbus	Ziska, G.W.	Urbana

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